

Air Quality Improvement Ideas For Local Government

Employee Education, Notification and Participation

- Assign Ozone Action Coordinator(s)
- Promote employee education/awareness of ozone issues and helpful individual actions (e.g. internal newsletters, seminars, flyers, etc.)
- Employee alerts for Ozone Action Days (e-mail, network boot up message, intercom, bulletin board, flags, etc.)
- Incentives for participating employees (e.g. raffle prizes, reserved parking, casual dress, meals/drinks, flex time)

Operations and Maintenance Activities

- Delay/reschedule mowing and motorized construction activities where practicable on Ozone Action Days
- Consider purchase of electric equipment
- Delay/reschedule maintenance and landscaping activities which use small engines on Ozone Action Days
- Postpone vehicle refueling until the evening during Ozone Season
- Do not 'top off' tank when refueling
- Carpool to attend lunch and meetings
- Employ building energy conservation measures
 - Turn off lights and computers daily
 - Purchase Energy Star compliant equipment
 - Audit existing buildings for changes to make them more energy efficient
 - Use Green Power where available (Santee Cooper)
- Restrict indoor and outdoor paint jobs on Ozone Action Days
- Change work schedules to mitigate commute traffic jams
- Consider purchase of alternative fuel/hybrids vehicles and refuel with alternative fuels whenever possible

Commuter Actions

- Encourage commute alternatives for employees (i.e. rideshare, carpool, etc.)
- Telecommute/work at home
- Public transportation
- Walk/bike
- Alternative Work Schedules (AWS)
- Implement an alternative commute program (i.e. Take a Break from the Exhaust)

Encourage employees not to travel by auto at lunchtime

- Subsidize or provide lunches
- Encourage brown bag lunches or ordering in
- Provide shuttle service to common dining areas

Parking Management

- Preferences for rideshare vehicles

For additional information visit www.scdhec.net/baq/eap.html

